

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

PRIEWE, Jörg et al.

Examiner: Ware, Todd

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Title: COATED MEDICAL DEVICES AND IMPLANTS

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## **REPLY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action dated July 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3 and 15 without prejudice or disetaimer.

Please amend claims 1-2 and 4-14 as follows.

- 1. (Amended) A stent comprising a coating which comprises a polycyanoacrylic acid ester, a polymethylene malonic acid ester, or a mixture thereof.
- 2. (Amended) A stent according to claim 1, wherein the stent comprises a metal or a polymer.

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4. (Twice Amended) A stent according to claim 1, wherein the coating comprises a

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